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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 16.2% IN JULY

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 16 — Airline passenger traffic rose 16.2 percent in July over July, 1984, and was up 13.2 percent for the first seven months of the year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service in July, traffic gained 16.5 percent. Passenger load factor was 64.7 percent, up from 59.0 percent for July, 1984. Available seat miles in domestic service in July rose 6.3 percent over the same month a year ago.

In international service in July, traffic was up 15.3 percent. Passenger load factor was 69.4 percent, down from 71.9 percent in July of last year. Available seat miles increased 19.4 percent.

Domestic airline passenger traffic in the first seven months rose 13.8 percent. The load factor was 63.2 percent, up from 57.5 percent. Available seat miles registered a gain of 3.5 percent.

International airline passenger traffic in the first seven months increased 10.9 percent. The load factor was 67.2 percent, up from 65.4 percent in the first seven months of last year. Available seat miles increased 7.9 percent.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

JULY 1985 - 1984

		JULY			YEAR TO DATE		
	YEAR	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)	RPM'S (000)	ASM'S (000)	LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	23,039,017	35,615,109	64.7	143,218,037	226,565,147	63.2
	84	19,768,818	33,519,590	59.0	125,824,299	218,859,269	57.5
PERCENT CHANGE		16.5	6.3		13.8	3.5	
INTERNATIONAL	85	6,995,367	10,074,204	69.4	35,521,035	52,854,671	67.2
	84	6,067,718	8,438,876	71.9	32,038,584	48,985,283	65.4
PERCENT CHANGE		15.3	19.4		10.9	7.9	
TOTAL	85	30,034,384	45,689,313	65.7	178,739,072	279,419,818	64.0
	84	25,836,536	41,958,466	61.6	157,862,883	267,844,552	58.9
PERCENT CHANGE		16.2	8.9		13.2	4.3	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, REPUBLIC, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, FRONTIER, HAWAIIAN, MIDWAY, OZARK AND PSA.

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Airline Passenger Traffic Sets Record in August

Washington, D.C., September 13--The U.S. airlines set a monthly traffic record in August with 30.9 billion revenue passenger miles, up 11.9 percent over the same month a year ago, the Air Transport Association reported today.

The previous monthly traffic record was 30.0 billion revenue passenger miles in July.

Total available seat miles in August were up 9.2 percent. The passenger load factor was 66.7 percent compared to 65.1 percent in August 1984.

In domestic service, August traffic gained 11.2 percent over August 1984. Available seat miles rose 6.3 percent. Passenger load factor was 65.4 percent compared to 62.5 percent last year.

In international service, traffic climbed 14.3 percent. Available seat miles increased 20.5 percent and the load factor was 71.4 percent compared to 75.3 percent in August 1984.

For the first eight months of 1985, U.S. airlines accounted for 209.6 billion revenue passenger miles, up 13 percent over the 185.5 billion in the first eight months of 1984. Available seat miles increased 5 percent. The passenger load factor during the 1985 period increased to 64.4 percent from 59.8 percent last year, up 4.6 percentage points.

In domestic service for the eight months, traffic was up 13.4 percent and capacity 3.9 percent with load factor increasing to 63.5 percent from 58.2 percent last year.

International traffic for the first eight months was up 11.4 percent and capacity 9.8 percent. The passenger load factor for the 1985 period was 67.9 percent compared to 66.9 percent a year ago.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

AUGUST 1985 - 1984

	YEAR	AUGUST RPM'S (000)	AUGUST ASM'S (000)	AUGUST LOAD FACTOR (%)	YEAR TO DATE RPM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE ASM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	23,567,171	36,053,980	65.4	166,785,208	262,619,127	63.5
	84	21,197,982	33,902,575	62.5	147,022,281	252,761,844	58.2
PERCENT CHANGE		11.2	6.3		13.4	3.9	
INTERNATIONAL	85	7,303,711	10,223,555	71.4	42,824,746	63,078,226	67.9
	84	6,392,017	8,487,299	75.3	38,430,601	57,472,582	66.9
PERCENT CHANGE		14.3	20.5		11.4	9.8	
TOTAL	85	30,870,882	46,277,535	66.7	209,609,954	325,697,353	64.4
	84	27,589,999	42,389,874	65.1	185,452,882	310,234,426	59.8
PERCENT CHANGE		11.9	9.2		13.0	5.0	

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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 12.1% IN FIRST NINE MONTHS OF '85

WASHINGTON, D.C., October 17 — Airline passenger traffic was up 12.1 percent for the first three quarters of 1985, compared with the first nine months of last year, and traffic for September was up 4.6 percent, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service for the first nine months, traffic gained 12.5 percent. The available seat miles were up 4.3 percent and the load factor was 62.4 percent, up from 57.8 percent for the same period last year.

In international service for the first three quarters, traffic rose 10.6 percent. Available seat miles were up 10.4 percent. The load factor was 67.4 percent, virtually unchanged from the 67.3 percent for the same period last year.

Domestic passenger traffic in September rose 4.6 percent. Available seat miles increased 7.4 percent. The load factor was 53.4 percent, down from 54.9 percent in September a year earlier.

International passenger traffic in September was up 4.5 percent. Available seat miles registered a gain of 15 percent over September, 1984. The load factor was 63.7 percent, down from 70.1 percent in the same month last year.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

SEPTEMBER 1985 - 1984

	YEAR	SEPTEMBER RPM'S (000)	SEPTEMBER ASM'S (000)	SEPTEMBER LOAD FACTOR (%)	YEAR TO DATE RPM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE ASM'S (000)	YEAR TO DATE LOAD FACTOR (%)
DOMESTIC	85	17,918,072	33,533,635	53.4	184,703,280	296,152,762	62.4
	84	17,127,707	31,209,382	54.9	164,149,988	283,971,226	57.8
PERCENT CHANGE		4.6	7.4		12.5	4.3	
INTERNATIONAL	85	5,844,869	9,171,943	63.7	48,669,615	72,250,169	67.4
	84	5,590,887	7,977,927	70.1	44,021,488	65,450,509	67.3
PERCENT CHANGE		4.5	15.0		10.6	10.4	
TOTAL	85	23,762,941	42,705,578	55.6	233,372,895	368,402,931	63.3
	84	22,718,594	39,187,309	58.0	208,171,476	349,421,735	59.6
PERCENT CHANGE		4.6	9.0		12.1	5.4	

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